

LATE NEWS BY WIRE.

Senate Quo Warranto Proceedings at Trenton.

SECRETARY THOMPSON TESTIFIES

The Day of the Democratic Organization.

IN THE SENATE CHAMBER

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 26.—At the opening of the hearing before Commissioner Dickinson, in the senatorial quo warranto proceedings today Allen O. McDermott appeared as counsel for Secretary Adams.

The cross-examination of Secretary Samuel C. Thompson of the democratic senate was begun by R. Wayne Parker.

The witness said he reached the Senate chamber at 2 o'clock on the day of organization. He and Senator Perkins could not get through the crowd and policemen made a passage way. Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms Vanciver was at the door and had locked the witness out. He found about twenty-five persons inside the chamber when he entered. He could not say whether all the senators were there at that time. Witness could only remember one person present at the time.

He had never seen the resolution providing for the election of Adams as president prior to the day of the organization. Secretary Thompson said he noticed that Senator Bradley's name was not on the list. This was also not known when the names of new senators on their desks. The main door of the senate chamber was closed and Secretary Adams was not allowed to enter. He heard great noise and confusion without.

He heard what seemed like a continuous knocking on the door, and yet the door was kept closed. He did not know that any person was given to keep the door closed, but it was the usual custom.

Witness was asked where were the protests filed against the senators from Montana, Wyoming, and Idaho. He said they were in the hands of the committee.

CONTINUES TO INCREASE.

Grow's Plurality in Pennsylvania

Thus far is 186,459.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 26.—The official count of the vote of Allegheny county was completed today. It gives Grow a plurality of 33,655, which is 10,918 more than the republican plurality last fall, and over 4,000 above the highest estimate of Grow's plurality.

Armstrong county's official vote shows a plurality for Grow of 2,111, a democratic gain of 1,000.

Grow's plurality in the state is increased by these figures to 186,459.

THEY CALL TIME.

Refuses Lamont and Herbert End a Foot Ball Match.

There will be no more contests at foot ball between the representatives of the army and navy. Secretaries Lamont and Herbert have conferred on the subject, and have reached the conclusion that such contests between the cadets are detrimental to the studies, as well as injuries to the discipline of the institutions. They have decided to discontinue the foot ball matches, but they are opposed to contests between the two academies. Their action in the matter is embodied in the following order: "The foot ball matches between the army and navy, which have been held since the establishment of the United States Military Academy, under such regulations as may now or hereafter be prescribed by the War Department, are hereby discontinued. The representatives of the army and navy are to play their games with the academy's team; but the team of cadets is prohibited from engaging in matches elsewhere."

The Secretary of the Navy issued a similar order to the Secretary of the Army, and the representatives of the navy are to play their games with the academy's team.

WANT THE BRIDGE.

Arguing for the Use of the Aqueduct

The delay in building a bridge at the Aqueduct has revived the interest in the Aqueduct bridge as a possible viaduct for such purposes.

This afternoon the Commissioners gave a public hearing to those persons interested in House bill 5863, providing for the reconstruction of the Aqueduct bridge. The bill authorizes the Commissioners to enter into a contract with any street railroad now chartered or heretofore chartered, to construct in the state of Virginia to reconstruct that portion of the Aqueduct bridge now occupied by the west footway of the bridge and to lay thereon a single track bridge, with a single track on each side, to be done under the supervision of the Engineer Commissioner. The bill also empowers the Commissioners to authorize the use of the bridge for the purpose of the Virginia side to cross on to the track as above constructed, the company desiring to use the bridge to pay to the District not less than 1 cent for each car conveyed over the bridge, the money so derived to be used in keeping the bridge in repair. It is also provided that only horse power shall be used as a motive power, and the Commissioners are empowered to compel any street railway which terminates on or near the bridge to construct a bridge to construct a continuation of its line as to connect at the north end of the bridge with the line of the same.

Mr. Cassius G. Mead explained the purposes of the bill. He argued that it was absolutely impossible for a street railroad to cross the bridge, and that the only way to get near the Three Sisters. The lowest bridge yet placed upon the building of the Aqueduct, \$300,000, and no railroad could hope for many years to get sufficient travel to warrant such an expenditure.

Arrangements Before Judge McCann.

In Criminal Court, Division 2, Wm. Dryden, George Raymond, George Shields and Edward Butcher were arraigned for the larceny of twenty gallons of gin, and George Raymond pleaded guilty and the others not guilty.

William C. Cox and Philip Stewart, charged with false pretenses in obtaining \$400 of Mr. W. B. Webb for Mt. Jezreel Baptist church, \$1,000 of Mr. C. A. McKim, and \$1,000 of Mr. C. A. McKim, for housebreaking and Malone Wheeler, embezzlement, pleaded not guilty.

Of Benefit to Postal Clerks.

There are more than 8,000 railway postal clerks in the service of the government, most of whom will be benefited by the bill of Representative Hopkins of Illinois, which was favorably reported by the House committee on postal affairs. This bill creates seven classes of clerks at salaries ranging from \$800 to \$1,800, making two classes higher than are provided for by the present law, which fixes the salary at \$1,800.

No class of government employees are subjected to such constant danger or have imposed so great a strain as the postal clerks. In the recent years they have killed in railroad accidents in recent years and efforts have been made to provide pensions for their families. Members of the post office committee expect to make a strong stand to secure more liberal wages for the employees in this branch.

Army Orders.

The following assignments to duty of officers of the quartermaster's department are ordered:

Charles F. Humphrey, in addition to his present duties, to be chief quartermaster Department of the Plateau.

Capt. J. Estcourt Sawyer to duty as post quartermaster at the Presidio of San Francisco, Cal.

The following assignments to regiments of officers recently promoted are ordered:

Artillery arm—Capt. Luigi Lomia to the fourth infantry company E, First Lieut. John D. Miley, to the fifth infantry, light battery F, infantry arm—Capt. Carver Howland, to the fourth infantry company E, First Lieut. Stephen M. Hackney, to the fourth infantry company K.

First Lieut. Charles D. Greene, seventh infantry, will proceed to New York City for assignment to duty at David's Island, New York harbor.

INDIAN SUPPLIES.

Chicago to Be Made a Center for Receipt and Distribution.

An important change in the method of assembling and distributing Indian supplies is contemplated by the House committee on Indian affairs. The main purpose is to make Chicago the center of supplies and distribution point, and to do away with the extensive branch of distribution at New York. The plan has already advanced so far that members of the Indian committee regard it as settled that the Indian supplies warehouse at New York will be abolished, and that the government plant at Chicago will be enlarged to accommodate the enormous quantities of provisions and supplies furnished to the Indians. The moving reason for the change is to get the point of supplies nearer to the Indian country. Representative Wilson of Washington is actively interested in the change, and expects to have the co-operation of Representative Aldrich of Wisconsin. He says that a great saving will be made on freights by having Chicago as the distributing point. At present many of the supplies for the Indians make complete transcontinental trips from New York to the Pacific coast before they get to the Indians. The great bulk of the supplies are shipped by water to the Mississippi river. The proposed change will be made a part of the Indian appropriation bill, and the subcommittee on Indian affairs have already agreed to the change.

DISTRICT IN CONGRESS.

A Railroad Hearing.

Representatives Gorman and Lapham, as a subcommittee of the committee on military affairs, gave an informal hearing this morning to Vice President Reed, Col. A. D. Anderson, Vice President Holden and D. J. Howell of the Washington, Alexandria and Annapolis Electric Railway Company, upon the bill to grant that railway the right to cross a portion of the Arlington reservation. The company proposes to extend its line near the highway, at the foot of the cemetery reservation, and does not, in any way, encroach upon the cemetery.

Col. Reed explained that the road is now in actual operation nine miles of its length. It carries about 100,000 passengers a day, and forty-five cars at the rate of twenty-five miles an hour. The coaches are like those of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, are heated and lighted with electricity, and the road, in point of equipment and service, is claimed to be the best in the country. It is proposed to extend the line to the Arlington reservation, probably at a fare of five cents. Last year, under the most adverse circumstances, half a million people visited the Arlington reservation, and the company proposes to take people from the heart of the city direct to Arlington for a fare of five cents.

CAPITOL TOPICS.

The Pacific Roads.

Representative Rellly of Pennsylvania, the chairman of the House committee on Pacific railroads, will call a meeting of the committee for Thursday, March 1, to take up the difficult problem of the Union Pacific indebtedness. The committee has a month past Representative Rellly and Senator Brice, the chairman of the Senate committee, have held frequent consultations upon Pacific affairs. While half a dozen plans for settling the Union Pacific debt have been proposed, the committee has not yet reached a decision. The committee has a month past Representative Rellly and Senator Brice, the chairman of the Senate committee, have held frequent consultations upon Pacific affairs. While half a dozen plans for settling the Union Pacific debt have been proposed, the committee has not yet reached a decision.

NO EXTRADITION TREATY LIKELY.

Cardinal Difference Between the Legal Systems in Costa Rica and This Country.

Notwithstanding the tacit agreement at the time Weeks was surrendered to the United States officers by the Costa Rican government that extradition treaties would be looking to the formulation of an extradition treaty between the two countries, it now appears that there is little probability of a successful outcome of the attempt.

The difficulty lies in a cardinal difference between the legal systems of the two countries, and that which prevails not only in Costa Rica, but in some other South and Central American countries. In this country, the law is the failure of the Costa Rican law to provide for the death penalty. Possibly this is to be attributed to the frequency of capital offenses in Costa Rica. Another reason for the failure of the extradition treaty is the failure of the Costa Rican law to provide for the death penalty. Possibly this is to be attributed to the frequency of capital offenses in Costa Rica. Another reason for the failure of the extradition treaty is the failure of the Costa Rican law to provide for the death penalty.

Patent Circular.

Commissioner of Patents Seymour has issued a circular, stating that he will hear on Wednesdays he or the assistant commissioner will give oral hearings on questions of classification of applications or patents to examiners whose divisions may be involved. He will also hear on questions of classification of applications or patents to examiners whose divisions may be involved.

Fatal Fire at an Asylum.

Two lives were lost and a score placed in imminent peril last night when consumed a portion of the State Home for Feeble-minded Children, at Vineland, N. J., yesterday morning. The victims are J. H. Sage, the engineer of the institution, and his wife, who acted as laundress. The fire started in the basement of the handsome three-story brick structure known as the Robinson Memorial Cottage, which was recently erected at Vineland, N. J., and was almost immediately rapidly, owing to the high winds and scarcity of water, and before help could be sent, the entire building was in flames with smoke and flames.

Death of Col. J. M. Huger.

Col. John Middleton Huger, a distinguished member of an old southern family, died at his residence, 637 1/2 avenue, New York, at 8 o'clock yesterday morning. He was born in Charleston, S. C., in 1808. His father was Judge Daniel Elliott Huger, United States Senator from South Carolina, for a number of years. His eldest son, Col. John Middleton Huger, was killed at the battle of Fort Mifflin, Pa., in 1862. Col. Huger was a member of the New Orleans Stock Exchange, and was a member of the New Orleans Stock Exchange, and was a member of the New Orleans Stock Exchange.

An Office Disappears.

Capt. C. T. Beall, the only medical stock-keeper in the military establishment, was ordered to discontinue his office today on account of age, and the office has gone out of existence.

A Naval Academy.

Capt. N. H. Farquhar, who is term as chief of the bureau of yards and docks, is expected to be assigned to the command of the League Island navy yard, near Philadelphia. Capt. J. N. Miller, of the Navy Department, is expected to be assigned to the command of the League Island navy yard, near Philadelphia. Capt. J. N. Miller, of the Navy Department, is expected to be assigned to the command of the League Island navy yard, near Philadelphia.

Patent Office Inquiry Postponed.

The investigation of the alleged irregularities concerning the printing of the Patent Office Gazette has been postponed by the Senate committee on printing until Wednesday morning at 10:30.

Acts Approved.

The President has approved the act granting to the Des Moines Rapids Power Company the right to erect, construct, operate and maintain a dam and water power plant in the Mississippi river in Hancock county, Ill.

He is Safe.

James Collins, a colored man, was taken in custody today on a charge of bigamy, the warrant having been sworn out by Mary A. Collins, a woman who claimed to be the first and lawful wife of James Collins, the defendant. She went before Prosecuting Attorney Mulholland and told her tale of woe, but her husband's second marriage said took place in January, 1891, just a few days after the death of his first wife. The statute of limitations applies to such cases and the husband could not be prosecuted.

THE GAP FILLED.

Revolutionary Daughters Adjourn, but Next Day the Bazaar Adjoins.

The morning session of the Daughters of the American Revolution on Saturday was still in session at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, when the Star's report closed. The annual election of officers was then in progress. The final result was as follows: For president, Mrs. Letitia Green Stevenson, re-elected by unanimous ballot; vice president, Mrs. Letitia Green Stevenson, re-elected by unanimous ballot; secretary, Mrs. Letitia Green Stevenson, re-elected by unanimous ballot; treasurer, Mrs. Letitia Green Stevenson, re-elected by unanimous ballot; and for the balance of the officers, Mrs. Letitia Green Stevenson, re-elected by unanimous ballot.

All of these officers are residents of Washington. Of the twenty vice presidents general that were to be chosen only eight were elected, the rest going over for the selection of the national president. Those elected were as follows: Mrs. S. P. Beall, Virginia; Mrs. Letitia Green Stevenson, District of Columbia; Mrs. Letitia Green Stevenson, District of Columbia; Mrs. Letitia Green Stevenson, District of Columbia; Mrs. Letitia Green Stevenson, District of Columbia; Mrs. Letitia Green Stevenson, District of Columbia; Mrs. Letitia Green Stevenson, District of Columbia; Mrs. Letitia Green Stevenson, District of Columbia.

Three of the honorary vice presidents general were also elected: Mrs. Letitia Green Stevenson, District of Columbia; Mrs. Letitia Green Stevenson, District of Columbia; Mrs. Letitia Green Stevenson, District of Columbia. The election of the national president was postponed until next year, and the election of the national president was postponed until next year.

DISTRICT GOVERNMENT.

Lamps Ordered.

The following oil lamps have been ordered for West Brookland: One at northeast corner 7th and Milwaukee streets, one at the southeast corner 8th and Milwaukee streets, one at the northeast corner of 7th and Lowell streets.

Women Trustees.

At the request of the Commissioners, the attorney for the District has drafted a bill providing for the appointment of not exceeding three women on the board of trustees of public schools.

Bids were opened Saturday afternoon for furnishing the District with 450 barrels of Portland cement. The bidders were J. G. & J. M. Waters, \$230 per barrel; Jas. H. McCall, \$230, and Jackson Jones Company, \$247.

Government Buildings.

Assessor Trimble has reported to the Commissioners that the assessed value of the buildings owned by the general government in Washington amounted to \$1,002,384. This statement is in answer to a resolution of the committee on public buildings and grounds.

Market Stands.

The Commissioners today established the following rents for dealers in the Western Market: 30 cents each per month; baker's stand, 40 cents each per month; produce stand, 50 cents each per month; fish stand, 50 cents each per month; miscellaneous stands, 50 cents each per month.

The Payment of Pensions.

The recommendation recently made by Judge Lochren, commissioner of pensions, that the instructions in regard to the execution of pension vouchers be modified by the act of March 3, 1879, has been approved by the fourth paragraph relating to the extension of vouchers to United States pension agents, has been approved by Judge Reynolds, assistant secretary of the Interior. The paragraph in question is as follows:

"When any payment is made to the pensioner in person, the same rule shall apply, except that the pension agent, nor any clerk employed by him shall appear as a witness in either the voucher or the duplicate receipt."

Naval Movements.

The Lancaster arrived at Singapore yesterday on her way to New York. She was the first of the new class of cruisers to arrive at Singapore. She was the first of the new class of cruisers to arrive at Singapore.

For a Discovery and Settlement.

Joseph Rakeman, guardian of Marguerite Ward Brown, by Messrs. French and French and Gordon and Gordon, has filed a bill against Adelaide H. Wood et al., for a discovery, settlement of accounts, etc. It is set for trial on March 1, 1894.

Three Slight Fires.

On Saturday evening a slight fire took place at 820 North Capitol street, occupied by the Emmett Rice Company.

Yesterday morning a fire took place at the house of Leon Kahn, No. 314 1-2 street southwest.

At 2 o'clock this morning a fire took place at the house of Raymond Moses on 14th between East Capitol and A streets north-east, and No. 8 engine responded, but the fire was extinguished before it had time to do much damage.

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COL. GEORGE TRUESDELL

Selected by the President to Be District Commissioner.

Expressions of Gratification by a Number of Business Men.

THE NEW OFFICIAL'S CAREER

The question of the District Commissioner was settled by President Cleveland yesterday, and was the last matter acted upon by him prior to his departure on the light house tender Violet. He had made up his mind that Mr. Truesdell was the best man for the place, and that he would send in his nomination, provided he could be assured that such action would be agreeable to the President. He was accordingly sent to Mr. Truesdell's house at 1000 North Capitol street, and Mr. Truesdell would like to have him call at his earliest convenience before he left the city.

A Good Appointment From Every Point of View.

Said Mr. James M. Johnston of Riggs & Company: "The appointment is a good one from every point of view, and I have no doubt that the Commission will be a success. Washington generally as well as any appointment. Mr. Truesdell is a man of high character and high ability, and I have no doubt that he will be a success in the position of District Commissioner."

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